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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
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FOR: BEADS OF EXPANDABLE :
VINYLAROMATIC POLYMERS AND
PROCESS FOR THEIR PREPARATION

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action of September 4, 2007, Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following amendment and remarks submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Discussion of the Amendment begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.